

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: ANNAPRAGADA et al.

Attorney Docket No.: LAM1P154/P0696

Application No.: 09/688,021

Examiner: ANDERSON, Matthew A.

Filed: October 13, 2000

Group: 1765

Title: PROCESS FOR ETCHING VIAS IN ORGANOSILICATE GLASS MATERIALS

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office communication dated May 21, 2002, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1 and 7 as follows:

1. (Once Amended) A method for etching a feature [with minimal RIE lag] in an integrated circuit wafer incorporating at least one layer of organosilicate glass dielectric, the method comprising:

positioning the wafer in a reaction chamber;

introducing a flow of etchant gas mixture including C4F8 and CF4 into the reaction chamber; and

striking a plasma with the etchant gas in the reaction chamber.



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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
Total Claims	19	MINUS	20	0	x 9 =	x 18 = \$-0-
Independent Claims	3	MINUS	3	0	x 42 =	x 84 = \$-0-
Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid					\$140.00	\$280.00
				Total	\$	\$-0-

Applicant(s) hereby petition for a ____ month extension(s) of time to respond to the aforementioned Office Action.

Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 50-0388 (Order No. LAM1P154).

Enclosed is our Check No. ____ in the amount of \$____ to cover the additional claim fee and/or extension of time fees.

Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 50-0388 (Order No. LAM1P154).

Respectfully submitted,

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